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Title: Communication Protocol for Interconnected Hazardous Condition
Detectors, and System Employing the Same

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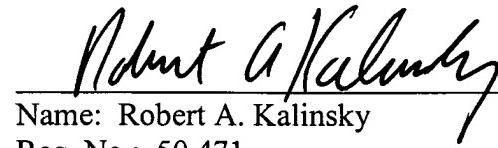
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a further two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 21, 2003, said period of response being extended from February 21, 2004 to April 21, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$840.00 (\$950 three-month extension fee less \$110 one-month extension fee charged to Deposit Account No. 13-2725 on February 23, 2004) is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,
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